RESOLUTION NO. 5 OF 2013 CENTRE COUNTY EXCESSIVE FORCE POLICY

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING POLICY PROTECTING INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN <u>NON-VIOLENT</u> CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATION.

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has passed Section 104(1) to the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act stating that no CDBG funds may be obligated or expended by any unit of general local government that fails to adopt and enforce a policy of prohibiting the use of excessive force by local law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations; or fails to adopt and enforce a policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY of CENTRE has received a Community Development Block Grant and is required to comply with the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act; and

WHEREAS, the failure to enforce such policies may cause CENTRE COUNTY to lose its grant or eligibility for future federal grants;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

- SECTION 1 It is the POLICY of the CENTRE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS that excessive force by local law enforcement agencies shall not be used against individuals engaged in lawful and nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within the CENTRE COUNTY boundaries.
- SECTION 2 It is the POLICY of CENTRE COUNTY to enforce applicable state and local laws against the physical barring of an entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.
- SECTION 3 The CENTRE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will coordinate with the CENTRE COUNTY Sheriff to implement this Resolution by amending applicable Sheriff's Office procedures.

Adopted by the Centre County Commissioners at the regular meeting of September 3, 2013.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Steven G. Dersherp, Chairman

C. Chris Exarchos, Commissioner

Michael Pipe, Commissioner

ATTEST

Timothy T. Boyde, Administrator